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REF LD162 ON SOUTH AMERICAN SOURCE LINES:

1. CURRENT POLICY IS TO APPLY 'DOMESTIC SERVICE' SOURCE LINE TO THOSE BROADCAST SERVICES WHICH ARTICULATE THE POLICY OF A NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AND WHICH SERVE AS AN INSTRUMENT OF THAT GOVERNMENT'S MAIN BROADCASTING OR PUBLIC INFORMATION COMPONENT. THIS APPLIES TO BOTH NATIONAL AND REGIONAL BROADCASTS. IN MOST LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES, CERTAIN STATIONS ARE OWNED AND OPERATED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND THEIR TOTAL OUTPUT IS CONSIDERED TO BE "DOMESTIC SERVICE." IN OTHER INSTANCES, THE GOVERNMENT COMMANDEERS TIME ON PRIVATE STATIONS TO BROADCAST IN PARALLEL WITH THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED TRANSMITTERS, THEREBY EXTENDING THEIR TOTAL BROADCAST EFFORT. IN SOME COUNTRIES, COMMANDEERED PRIVATE TRANSMITTERS ARE THE ONLY BROADCAST OUTLETS USED BY THE GOVERNMENT. THE OUTPUT OF A COMMANDEERED STATION IS LISTED AS 'DOMESTIC SERVICE' ONLY FOR THE PERIODS IT IS CARRYING GOVERNMENT PROGRAMMING.

2. ALL OTHER BROADCAST SERVICES ARE IDENTIFIED BY THE STATION OF NETWORK NAME. THIS INCLUDES THE PROGRAMS OF PRIVATE STATIONS, OF STATIONS BELONGING TO GOVERNMENT COMPONENTS FOR WHICH BROADCASTING IS AN INCIDENTAL ACTIVITY. (I.E. EDUCATION STATION RUN BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION), AND OF STATIONS WHICH ALTHOUGH NATIONALIZED DEMONSTRATE SOME INDEPENDENCE OF PROGRAM POLICY. (E.G. BUENOS AIRES RADIO SPLENDID). 01/1917Z OCT

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BBC WOULD LIKE CLARIFICATION OF CERTAIN SOUTH AMERICAN  
SOURCE LINES. IN LIMA AND BUENOS AIRES, FOR EXAMPLE, THERE ARE  
DOZENS OF RADIOS. WHEN FBIS USES THE DOMESTIC SERVICE  
SOURCE LINE FOR THESE CITIES, DOES THIS MEAN THAT THE RADIO  
IS GOVERNMENT OWNED? IF IT IS NOT GOVERNMENT OWNED, DOES THE  
SOURCE LINE ALWAYS INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE RADIO SUCH AS LIMA'S  
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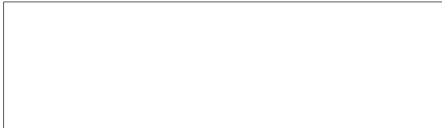
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13 September 1976



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Dear Jerry,

Here are the minutes of the FBIS-BBC Working Group's 24 August meeting on sourceline standardization. As in the past, a spirit of compromise pervaded the session and I believe considerable progress was made in resolving remaining differences.

1. BBC agreed to FCS's suggested clarification of Proposal I Basic Principles (1). We think that the wording suggested by the committee will insure that the principle recognizes that sourcelines are often based on information beyond that contained in the broadcast.

2. BBC has agreed to delete from Proposal II General Rules (2) (5) and (8) the phrase "if asked to do so by the other." BBC would, however, like some assurance that every effort will be made to limit the number of differences in sourcelines between FBIS and BBC to an absolute minimum--an aim I'm sure FCS shares.

3. The main bone of contention continues to be the proposal governing "clandestine" broadcasts. BBC disputes [redacted] statement in his 6 July letter that "a check of station announcements of current and past transmitters in this category reveals all falsely announce or clearly imply they originate in the target country." According to evidence available here, BBC maintains this is not the case, and [redacted] read several "clandestine" station announcements to make his point. Since the FCS proposition is critical to the argument, BBC would like documentation supporting Chuck's assertion.

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Thus the ball is once again in Headquarters' court, but at least we seem to be approaching the final set. Since [redacted] has been in on the negotiations from the beginning, I'm sure he can provide any necessary clarifications of the Working Group's discussions.

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Sincerely,



Deputy Chief, London Bureau

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